

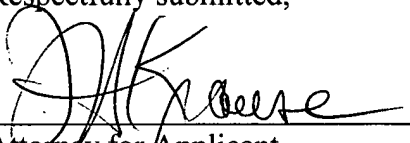
REMARKS

In the above-identified Office Action all of the elected Claims 1, 3-5, 7, and 8 were designated as being allowable except for an antecedent basis problem in Claim 1. That problem has now been remedied by the foregoing amendment, and the Examiner's requested changes to pages 8 and 9 of the Specification have been effected.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application is now in good form and a formal Notice of Allowance is solicited.

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